



*Brian Goeselt '82 and Sascha Steinway '81 participate in the A team cross-cut sawing in the Woodsmen's Competition held at Colby College this spring.
(Photo by Elaine Anderson '83)*

COLBY MEET

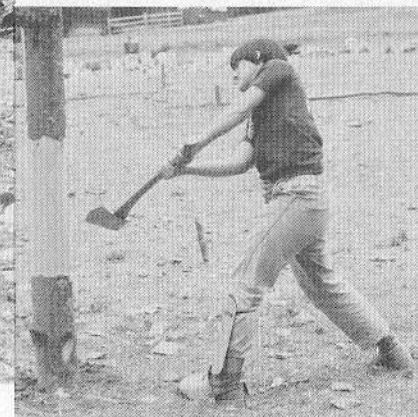
The Woodsmen's Competition is dedicated to preserving the skills of the old time woodsman, chopping, sawing, splitting, log rolling, tree felling and canoeing. The spring meet is by far the biggest event for the Dartmouth Woodsmen's team, but we remain active year round, attending collegiate meets throughout the fall and winter and competing in local county fairs in the summer.

This past spring, the Dartmouth Outing Club sent five teams to the 36th Annual Intercollegiate Woodsmen's Competition held at Colby College. Over 30 teams representing ten colleges participated in this meet. The Dartmouth men's A and B teams came in 3rd and 8th overall, while the women's C and D were 2nd and 4th, respectively. The alumni team, led by our coach Jim "Porkroll" Taylor '74, came in second overall. The alumni team members range from recent graduates to a member of the Class of '54, and travel from all parts of the country for this meet.

The first day of competition at Colby involved three canoeing events — singles, doubles and portage races — and the infamous packboard relay, a relay race through woods and swamps carrying a 50 pound sack of sand! The highlight of the day was the alumni team's performance in the singles canoe race. After Put Blodgett '54 navigated the course in record time (as usual), John Mott '81 paddled to the first turn, leaned over, and as Put watched in horror, fell in! Despite this, the alumni team finished the race in 5th place. They were beaten, however, by our A team, Sascha Steinway '81 and Greg Van Liew '82, who came in first.



*Greg VanLiew '82 gives a lesson in the aerobic chain throw.
(Photo by L.M. Erickson '85)*



*Sally McCoy '82 chops for precision in the tree felling event.
(Photo by L.M. Erickson '85)*

The A team scored another victory when Brian Goeselt '82 and Kevin Peterson '82 won the portage race. Betsy Leggat '82 and Andrea Ploss '82 of the D team, won women's singles; the D team's Sally McCoy '82 and Edi Farwell '83, also won the portage race.

On Saturday, recovering from an evening of amusements which included changing the tire on our dependable DOC van, we began another day of competition. The singles events started off the day: vertical chop, pulp toss for distance, chain throw (coiling a surveyor's chain), chainsaw, pole climb and axe throw. Our women's C team won three of these events: Marty Jacobs '82 defeated all women and men in the chain throw; Nancy Milholland '82 placed first in the chainsaw event; and Elaine Anderson '83 won the axe throw.

Next were the doubles events; tree felling, fire building and scoot loading (rolling logs up onto a platform with peavies). The triples and team events were held in the afternoon. All chopping and sawing is done on square cut white pine logs measured 8" x 8" (6" x 6" for some of the women's events). The remaining events were speed chopping, splitting, log rolling, cross-cut sawing, buck-sawing and team pulp toss.

This spring the DOC's Cabin and Trail division will host the Annual Intercollegiate Woodsmen's Competition. In addition to fielding our usual four or five teams, we will be organizing and directing the "whole show." We will need many workers and many new team members — now is the time to get involved. (Stop by at a C&T meeting for more information.)



*J.D. Lindeberg '82 and Kevin Peterson '82 in the A team log rolling event.
(Photo by Elaine Anderson '83)*



C team models the latest in Woodsman's wear: Tina Jones '82, Nancy Milholland '81, Sue Fernyak '84, Cola Parker '84, Marty Jacobs '82 and Elaine Anderson '83.

(Photo by Elaine Anderson '83)



The D team cross-cut; Edie Farwell '83, Sally McCoy '82, Ingeborg Saksen '84, Beisy Leggat '82 and Andrea Ploss '82.

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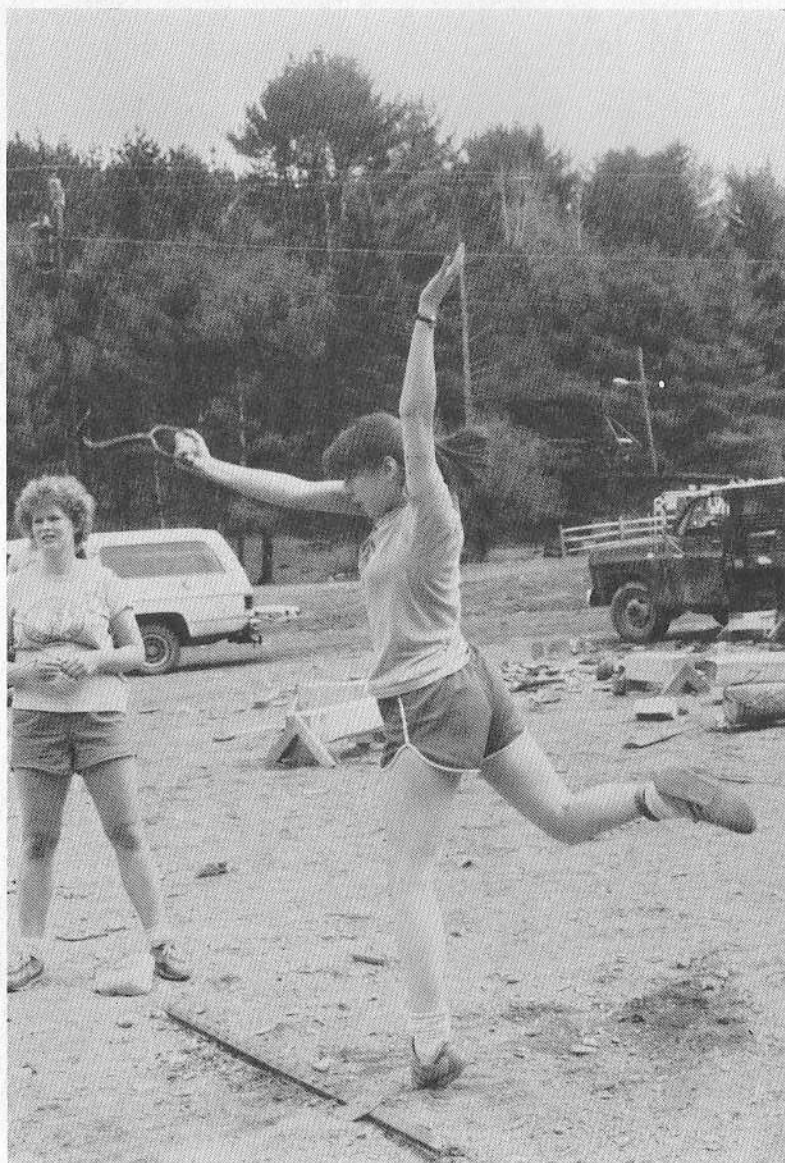


Elaine Anderson competes in the C team buck-sawing event.

(Photo by Elaine Anderson '83)

Thanks to all those who helped J.D., Scotty, and I in Robinson basement and out at Storrs Pond. Special thanks to Jim Taylor for all his help and advice.

— Elaine Anderson '83



Andrea Ploss '82 demonstrates that poise and grace have their place on the Woodsman's team too. Cola is not too impressed.

(Photo by L.M. Erickson '85)

C&T's 85's

From Freshman Trips on C&T has left its impression on its 85's. I sighted my first Chubber the morning of my Freshman Trip, curled up asleep in his dump coat in front of Collis. I remember thinking, "Gee, I didn't know they had bums in Hanover." However, he soon came to life as his chubber friends sang the infamous Moon Pie Song and it hasn't been dull since. The climatic craziness of my Freshman Trip has yet to be equalled, but every Monday at 10:00 the C&T'ers give it their best shot. J.D. and Cola kept urging me to go, but I didn't make it to my first meeting until Halloween — Uni's! (Shaving cream was very "In" this year). I found a noisy room full of knitting women and bearded men that a funny woman with a southern accent and wooden hammer was half-heartedly trying to quiet down. From the melodic versions of Happy Birthday, sung in 31-part "harmony," to the many showers and Fig Newton fights I found myself slipping from the status of vagrant to Heeler. Though many of my friends don't understand (You're not one of those C&T-type people, are you? I mean they're so *weird*.) I look forward to escaping the all too serious and rigidly structured world of Dartmouth College to the craziness in Room 17 where anything goes and there's a funny side to anything and everything.

After a year of "Heelers and Vagrants," stand up and identify yourselves ("Cathy Burke, Salmon Idaho!"), I'm looking forward to becoming one of those all-too-cool members who sit behind the table and know the words to all the songs. Other 85's have had more impact on C&T. Rick Sanford put us all to shame by becoming a member Fall term and Jake Lowenstern and Cathy Roy followed in the Winter. The rest of us took our time and waited for the warm weather of Spring. Perhaps the most recognized contribution by 85's was made by the song writing talents of Dave Metsky and Jeff Garneau. Almost every week they'd have a different song (if you don't count the weeks when they didn't) that was guaranteed to be worth at least a chuckle, or if not a chuckle, at least a snort (and if not a snort — shower!). The song that seemed to spark the most response (That's Teflon, you -----) was the now classic "Ode to Gore-Tex."

— L.M. Erickson '85

Ode to Gore-Tex

Well, hello! I am a chemist,
But I am a hiker, too!
And every time it rained,
I got water in my shoe.
Through the miracles of science,
Something new is on the scene,
Yes, it's Polytetraflouroethylene!*